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In re Application of :  
Srinivas Gandikota, et al. :  
Application No. 10/085,822 :  
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed December 27, 2004, under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee. See 1233 *Official Gazette* 54 (April 11, 2000).

It does not appear that the instant petition is signed by an attorney of record. However, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature of Keith M. Tackett appearing on the correspondence shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he is authorized to represent the particular party on whose behalf he acts. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to Mr. Tackett, the petitioner herein. However, until otherwise instructed, all future correspondence regarding this application file will be directed solely to the above-noted correspondence address of record.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner requests that the application be withdrawn from issue for express abandonment. See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(3). The application is withdrawn from issue, and the abandonment is hereby recognized.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204.

In accordance with the Letter of Express Abandonment filed December 29, 2004, the application is being referred to the Files Repository an abandoned file.

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